

FOOD CONTROL MEASURE, FINE MINIMUM PRICES, TO BE PASSED HOUSE

House Committee Agrees on Bill and Decides on Immediate Report to House for Debate and Vote; Empowers Government to Regulate Both Price and Distribution of Food and to Control Fuel Also.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—The second administration food control bill, granting broad powers to the president, was agreed to by the house agricultural committee today by a vote of 12 to three and immediate report to the house was authorized. Chairman Lever expects it to pass with less than two weeks' debate. The first bill now pending is to stimulate production of food; the second is to control distribution and price.

Provides Minimum Prices.

The bill provides a guaranteed minimum price to producers of non-perishable agricultural products under regulations to be prescribed by the president.

NORTHCLIFFE ARRIVES IN U. S. COMES AS HEAD OF WAR BOARD

Noted Publisher Has Been Appointed by War Cabinet as Head of Mission in United States to Coordinate Work of the British Organization Already Established in This Country.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, June 11.—Lord Northcliffe, on an errand to America to coordinate British activities here as a commercial representative of the British government, has arrived in the United States on an American steamer.

As head of the British war mission in this country, Lord Northcliffe, owner of the London Times and other English newspapers, is understood to work along industrial and economic lines in the furtherance of his government interests in America.

U-BOAT SINKS AMERICAN SUB

U. S. OFFICERS ARE IN FRANCE

London, Eng., June 11.—The American sailing vessel *Magnus* has been sunk by a German submarine. She was sent down after the crew had left her.

CREW UNDER FIRE HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

New York, June 11.—The Norwegian steamship *Akila*, a vessel of 254 tons, with a cargo for England, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine, May 15, near the French coast, after leaving England for Africa, according to members of the crew who reached here today.

"We had time to take the boats," Otto Bernsen, one of the crew said, "and then we had a narrow escape from death by shell fire. A French destroyer came up and fired on the submarine and the submarine fired back. We were between both craft in small boats and shells fell all around us."

SHIP WITH SUPPLIES FOR BELGIUM IS REPORTED SUNK

London, Eng., June 11.—The Belgian relief commission has received an unconfirmed report that the Norwegian steamship *John Bakke*, 1611 tons gross, with 2000 tons of wheat for Belgium by way of Rotterdam, has been sunk.

MAJOR BACK TONIGHT

Mayor Charles Davis spent Sunday and Monday with his family at Cloudcroft. He will return to El Paso this evening.

No Excuse For Hobo, Says Defence Council

Sacramento, Calif., June 11.—The tramp and the panhandler came under the official ban of the state council of defence today.

A letter was sent to all county councils of defence requesting the cooperation of citizens to enforce the vagrancy laws as a war measure. It said, in part:

"Housewives and every loyal American citizen can give inestimable aid in eliminating chronic loafers by using keen, relentless judgment and decision in giving food and alms. Every applicant for food or alms should be required to give an honest return, and if he is unable to do so, it is unfair that any person should exist in shabby idleness, particularly at this time."

BRITISH ATTACK LINES NEAR MESSINES

Bodies Of Hostile Troops Dispersed By Vigorous British Artillery Fire.

FRENCH REPULSE Foe NEAR CERNY

Germans Note Increase In Artillery Fire Along the Dunes In Belgium.

LONDON, Eng., June 11.—The British have made an additional advance south of Messines, the war office announced this morning.

The statement adds:

"There was considerable artillery activity east of Ypres and south of Ypres. Bodies of hostile troops assembling in this area were dispersed by our fire. We made successful raids last night near La Bassée, east of Ypres, and south of Arras."

Tactical Point of View.

The British consider the Messines battle the turning point of the war, believing that from now on the power of German resistance will decline rapidly.

British aviators rendered tremendous service in the battle, flying low over German convoys and troops and scattering them with bombs or machine gun fire. One aviator, having used up all his bombs, hurled his aircraft into the German lines, sending them scurrying for cover. They thought the aviator had some new and terrible kind of weapon.

French Artillery.

There was active artillery fighting last night north of the Somme, the French office announced. A German tank west of Cerny was repulsed.

Fire Along Dunes Increases.

Berlin, Germany, June 11.—There was a considerable increase yesterday in the artillery activity in the sector of the Dunes, the Belgian front near Nieuport and east of Ypres, army headquarters announced today.

BRITONS LIKE WILSON'S NOTE

Inexorable in Logic, Great Common Sense Document, Papers Declare.

London, Eng., June 11.—President Wilson's message to Russia is given the greatest prominence in the morning papers, which endorse it enthusiastically. The Morning Post declared it is one of the most memorable documents issued by any state during the war. The Post continues:

"Friendly in tone, it is inexorable in logic. It dismisses dangerous illusions and sets in their place realities that have to be faced, if the friends of freedom are not themselves to betray the cause they proclaim."

The Post hopes that the president's home truths will have an effect not only on Russian idealists but on British pacifists.

The Telegraph says:

"A fine declaration of rights, not of a nation, but of humanity. The allies will all counterpoint the president's declaration of rights."

An Appeal to Common Sense.

"It is addressed to the common sense and conscience of every individual citizen of the allied democracies. We cannot but conceive anything better adapted to scatter the clouds of untruth and sophistry with which the enemy has been seeking to darken and confuse the Russians. President Wilson, with remorseless hand, strips off the rags of righteousness under which the Germans seek to hide their motives."

(The full text of president Wilson's note to Russia will be found on Page 12, cols. 2 and 3.)

BRITAIN SENDS A NOTE MUCH LIKE WILSON'S

London, Eng., June 11.—Great Britain has sent Russia a note in reply to the latter's request for a statement of British war aims. The note, although not yet made public, is said to be in general agreement with president Wilson's note to Russia.

ITALIAN MISSION PREPARES FOR FAREWELL EXCURSION

Washington, D. C., June 11.—The Italian envoys today began packing up in anticipation of beginning their postponed farewell tour of the country tomorrow. The prince of Udine, whose illness last week delayed the trip, will remain here until able to resume the mission probably in another week.

WOUNDED RUSSIAN PARADE URGING WAR'S CONTINUANCE

Petrograd, Russia, June 11.—A host of wounded and sick soldiers from the hospitals paraded the streets yesterday in a great demonstration in favor of continuance of the war. The procession was preceded by banners and motor cars carrying wounded who were unable to walk.

Energetic support of the provisional government by the Cossacks has been pledged by their delegate to the congress of peasants, Mr. Kaban.

CREW OF SUNKEN SHIP BRINGS RETURNS TO U. S.

An Atlantic port, June 11.—Capt. J. Urquhart and 20 members of the crew of the American sailing ship *Elrigo*, destroyed by a German submarine on May 31, arrived today on the American steamship *St. Paul*. John, one of the crew, was drowned.

Fort Worth, Waco, Houston Chosen For Guard Camps; Deming Is Also Selected

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Fort Worth, Waco and Houston, Texas, Ft. Sill, Okla., Deming, N. M., and Linda Vista, Calif., have been approved as additional camps for national guard mobilization, it was announced today.

The approval of Petersburg, Va., as a cantonment site was revoked. Little Rock, Ark., Louisville, Ky., Battle Creek, Mich., and San Antonio, Texas, have been approved as additional cantonment sites for the new army.

SPY OR TRAITOR REVEALS NEWS OF U. S. ORDNANCE, SAYS DANIELS

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Either a spy or traitor been divulging confidential information of the bureau of ordnance, secretary of the navy Daniels today told the senate naval affairs committee.

When the committee today resumed investigation of the Mongolia shell accident, senator Frelinghuysen produced letters which secretary Daniels said contained information which could have been obtained from the confidential files of the ordnance bureau.

Secret Service To Probe.

He asked to have them turned over to the secret service. Senator Frelinghuysen said he had no desire to shield any one, but he had attempted to find out something about the accident.

Secretary Daniels contended that charges of incompetency were made against the ordnance bureau and that they contained grave reflections upon the basic defenses of the country. One of the letters was postmarked Detroit, Mich.

Nominate Own Chairman.

The premier said the government would prefer the convention nominate its own chairman but it was prepared to nominate a chairman and submit his name to the king.

Mr. Lloyd George said the Irish convention would be composed of 161 representatives.

DUGGANS HERO OF BUTTE FIRE

20 Year Old Boy Who Saved 25 Miners, Has Perished, It Is Believed.

BUTTE, Mont., June 11.—The name of Manass Duggan is on the lips of every person in Butte today. The 20 year old "nipper" or tool boy who saved the lives of 25 of his co-workers in the Speculator shaft of the North Butte Mining company, and who, it is feared, himself perished, is the hero of the hour.

The latest figures made public by the coroner account for 37 of the miners who were trapped by the fire last Friday night in the Speculator mine as being dead, 18 of them identified. The total probable dead, the coroner said, was 142. There are still thought to be 82 men in the mine.

While the coroner is of the opinion they have perished, the people of Butte are hopeful, particularly in view of the rescue alive yesterday of 25 men through the ingenuity of Manass Duggan.

Duggan's spectacular handling of the shift of men on the 23rd foot level of the mine, and his quick action with dirt, larding and the men's sarments, and the break for the open shaft, where the games became unbearable, has made him the idol of Butte. Because of it the safety first crews have entered into the rescue work with renewed vigor and hope to bring more men out alive.

Ten Others Found Alive.

Ten miners were found today on the 23rd foot level of the Speculator mine. Helmet men got into communication with them. They were using cement sacks and mine water, bulkheaded themselves in so thoroughly that tools had to be brought to them through their living tomb. The men are reported to be in good condition. Helmet men were sent to the surface for food and additional help.

RECEIVERSHIP IS ENDED FOR ROCK ISLAND ROAD

Chicago, Ill., June 11.—The receivership for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company was terminated by order of Judge Carpenter in the United States district court here today.

The receiver, Jacob M. Dickinson, former secretary of war, who has been receiver, was signed this afternoon. In doing so Judge Carpenter said:

"The able administration of this property by Judge Dickinson has made it possible to reorganize the company without a sale, the property returning to the original company and its creditors have agreed to take, par for par, stock for their debts to the extent of approximately \$20,000,000."

WAR AT A GLANCE

THE wiping out of the German salient at Messines appears merely the prelude to a projected battle of a far mightier description.

The British have resumed trench raids over a front reaching from south of Ypres to as far south as Bapaume, a distance of about 70 miles, at the front lines, but far more than that along the tortuous windings of the battle front.

The official announcement of the raid north of Ypres is of special interest in view of the recent frequently reported heavy artillery fire on the Belgian front. From Ypres, the allied front curves sharply to the sea and an advance here would threaten the German hold on their great submarine bases on the Belgian coast, Ostend and Zeebrugge.

In the meantime there are indications that Gen. Sarraill is preparing to resume the offensive in Macedonia, the Bulgarian official announcement reporting a great increase of the violence of the allied artillery fire on this front.

LOMAX INJUNCTION SUIT AGAINST REGENTS STARTS

Austin, Texas, June 11.—Judge Ireland Graves, of the 24th district court, called for a hearing today the injunction suit of John W. Lomax, secretary of faculty at the university, vs. W. G. Macreynolds and university regents. Mr. Lomax is seeking to restrain them from removing him and certain other members of the university board regents, for the alleged reason that they had been influenced and should be permitted to act of their own free will.

The order issued by Judge Graves, and the order issued by the court applying to other defendants.

The court issued the restraining order over the protest of counsel for the regents, who wanted time to defend. The court recessed until 2 o'clock in one afternoon.

The case of the state vs. Dr. J. P. Tucker, of Galveston, to restrain him from discharging the duties as registrar, is still pending.

The remaining five members of the board of regents were to have met today, but deferred the meeting.

LLOYD GEORGE PLANS IRISH CONVENTION

Irish Nationalist Redmond Will Be Asked To Nominate Five Members.

REPRESENTATION PLAN OUTLINED

15 Members To Decide Ireland's Future To Be Named By Government.

LONDON, Eng., June 11.—John Redmond, the Nationalist leader, will be invited to nominate five members of the Irish convention, premier Lloyd George announced in the house of commons today.

Sir John Langdale will be invited also to nominate five members, the premier added, and William O'Brien two members. There would be ten Irish representative peers, five members of the Irish Unionist Alliance, five Sinn Feiners and 15 members nominated by the government.

Nominate Own Chairman.

The premier said the government would prefer the convention nominate its own chairman but it was prepared to nominate a chairman and submit his name to the king.

Mr. Lloyd George said the Irish convention would be composed of 161 representatives.

LET U. S. ARMY BE DEMOCRATIC

Roosevelt Favors French Rather Than Prussian System in Army.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 11.—Theodore Roosevelt, in an address here last night at the annual memorial services of the Railroad Brotherhoods and the Order of Railway Telegraphers, asserted that this country's new army should be "on the French, the democratic model; not on the Prussian, the aristocratic model."

"Let every boy in the country serve in the ranks," he said, "and let the promotion of officers come to the boy who shows himself fittest, whether he be the son of a bricklayer or a banker; of a brakeman or a railroad yard porter. Let the line be strict in the performance of duty, obedience instant and unfailing, but outside of service let the boy be understood to be no social lines of cleavage between the one who does his full duty in one position and those who do their full duty in another. Doing their full duty—that is the only test."

Shun Spoils and Fools.

"We must shun equally the mere selfish egoist and the mere well-meaning fool," he said. "We must foster and aid business, and we must remember that in the international world of today, the business unit is indispensable. Then, together with this fostering and encouragement, should go such supervision and control as to secure the largest possible measure of equity in the distribution of rewards and profits; and, as far as is possible, a growing measure of property interest in, and directional control over, the business, by all who work per manently therein."

PROHIBITION AMENDMENTS TO BE JOINED IN ONE BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Prohibition took more forward steps today in congress. It was decided to combine the many prohibition amendments to the food and drug act into one bill.

The senate agriculture committee reported a resolution by senator Sheppard, of Texas, for prohibition constitutional amendment. A similar amendment failed last session.

BULGAR CROWN PRINCE MAY WED BAVARIAN PRINCESS

AMSTERDAM, Holland, June 11.—The king of Bulgaria is visiting the royal Bavarian family at Munich. He is understood to be arranging the possible betrothal of the Bulgarian crown prince to a princess of the royal house in the Bulgarian army. Princess Godelinde will be 26 years old next August.

CHANG-HSUN'S TROOPS IN PEKING MAY OVERTHROW THE PRESIDENCY

Chang-Hsun Has Imperialistic Leanings But Members of Old Imperial Family Inform Government They Have No Part in Any Effort to Restore Manchu Dynasty; Rebel Governors Would Force China Into War.

PEKING, China, Sunday, June 11.—President Li Yuan Hung has announced a willingness to accede to the demand of Gen. Chang-Hsun that parliament be dissolved and has drawn up a mandate of dissolution. Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the acting premier, however, has declined to countersign the decree and his signature is necessary to give effect to it.

Troops Menace Peking.

Several thousand of Gen. Chang-Hsun's troops had arrived in Peking and the commander gave the president 48 hours in which to dissolve parliament. Members of parliament urged the president not to dissolve parliament, thus throwing the burden of unconstitutional action upon Gen. Chang-Hsun.

May Restore Dynasty.

President Li Yuan Hung declined to send in his unconditional resignation.

LET U. S. ARMY BE DEMOCRATIC

Springfield, Mo., June 11.—Whether the baby was kept in the house until the abductors became frightened. All the letters were written. It was declared, in a good hand, apparently feminine, with attempts to disguise it by misspelling and lack of punctuation.

Adams and Piersol owe their lives to the iron nerve of the latter. The sheriff apparently made no resistance to having his prisoners taken from him when the Springfield men promised him "a good word of honor," but only replied that he hoped "you will tell my parents I had nothing to do with the abduction or death of the Keet baby."

The condition of Mrs. Keet, who was prostrated by the news of her son's murder, was reported to have improved today. Mrs. Keet, ar. the child's grandmother, was said to be still suffering from shock as a result of the tragedy.

A charge of first degree murder has been preferred against Dick Carter, of Springfield, as a result of the investigation of the disappearance and death of the Keet baby, according to an announcement by Paul O'Leary, county prosecutor today. Carter was said to have been arrested at Hatchinson, Kas.

WEST SIDE ROADS ARE REPORTED IN BAD SHAPE

Vinton, Texas, June 11.—The roads on the west side are reported in bad condition, there being numerous chert holes and the work of amoussing to the bridge is in especially bad shape.

Cut German Courses, Milwaukee Is Urged

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 11.—According to school director G. W. Augustus, it is costing Milwaukee \$150,000 annually to teach German in the public schools of the city.

A movement has been started to abolish the teaching of German, particularly in the graded schools. It is charged that the teaching of German in the schools of this country is only a part of a world-wide movement to foster and encourage German influence and propaganda.

How Women Can Help

REQUEST has been made for "comfort bags" for one of the regiments here now being equipped for field service. About 1500 are required. To make that number in time it is necessary that the work be undertaken at once by many hands. Will the women of El Paso meet this request?

What is desired is a plain flat bag of blue chambray or other non-fading material, size when finished to be 11 inches square with double heading and draw string. Contents of each bag to be as follows:

One writing pad 5x5 inches; six envelopes; tooth brush; tube tooth paste; one dozen medium safety pins; two spoons thread, one white No. 30, the other khaki colored; one package needles; six buttons, white or khaki colored; pack of playing cards; handkerchief; pencil with eraser.

Secretaries of all K. A. L. women's organizations are asked to take the matter up at once with members by telephone or otherwise. Bags when finished and filled may be sent to Mrs. Nellie Akord, 4007 Bliss street, who will see that they are delivered to the regiment.